

As a subscriber and full-time listener to the XM service, I would like to voice my opposition to petition 04-160. First, as a subscriber, I am paying for this content. Secondly, I value the ability to quickly tune to XM Instant Traffic & Weather to find immediate updates. To me, this is no different an issue than being able to access other area (or local) weather through cable television or through the Internet.

Since I am paying a subscriber fee I feel it unjust for outside influence to direct what I can or cannot listen to. Additionally, at least in the St. Louis market, I do not have a fast or reliable way of obtaining weather or traffic updates on demand. The closet I would have to obtaining this is to carry a weather band radio that would provide NOAA reports.

Finally, the alternatives are not in place to limit what XM can or cannot provide as content. It would be highly prejudicial to dictate what a subscriber can or cannot listen to. Please leave the programming capabilities intact.

Thank you.